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SUBJ: TORRIJOS TO VISIT PERON

SUMMARY. GENERAL TORRIJOS HAS REPORTEDLY ACCEPTED AN INVITATION FROM PRESIDENT PERON TO VISIT ARGENTINA IN LATE NOVEMBER. END SUMMARY.

1. GOP-CONTROLLED NEWSPAPER MATUTINO PUBLISHED ON NOV. 1 AN ACAN/EFE ARTICLE INDICATING THAT GENERAL TORRIJOS HAS ACCEPTED AN INVITATION FROM PRESIDENT PERON TO VISIT ARGENTINA LATE IN NOVEMBER. ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, PERON'S LETTER OF INVITATION DISCUSSED RECENT EVENTS IN SOUTH AMERICA AND INTERPRETED ALLENDE'S FALL AS A CONSEQUENCE OF EXTERNAL PRESSURES AND ERRORS IN INTERNAL MANAGEMENT, ASSERTING THAT ALLENDE WAS THE VICTIM OF "PRO-IMPERIALIST ENEMIES AS WELL AS HIS COMMUNIST FRRIENDS WHO PUSHED HIM INTO RASH ACTIONS."

2. WE NOTE THAT MARIO AUGUSTO RODRIGUEZ' COLUMN IN EL PANAMA AMERICA ON OCTOBER 1 REPORTED THAT DR. RAUL PATERA, A CLOSE FRIEND OF PERON, HAD VISITED PANAMA DURING TORRIJOS' ABSENCE IN EUROPE AND THAT HE HAD CARRIED WITH HIM A HANDWRITTEN LETTER FROM PERON INVITING TORRIJOS TO VISIT ARGENTINA, BUT THAT THE

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LETTER HAD NOT YET BEEN DELIVERED.

3. COMMENT. SINCE THE SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING IN MARCH 1973
A FREQUENT THEME IN GOP-CONTROLLED MEDIA HAS BEEN THE
"GROWING" OR "RECOGNIZED" INTERNATIONAL STATURE OF GENERAL
TORRIJOS. THIS THEME WAS AMPLIFIED DURING AND AFTER HIS TRIP
TO EUROPE, AND THE FORTHCOMING TRIP TO ARGENTINA WILL ALSO BE
USED TO BUILD TORRIJOS' IMAGE AS AN INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED
"STATESMAN." USAYRE

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